Strike by truck opefrtors

857. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the truck operators went on an indefinite strike in September this year on the issue of enhancement of permit fee;

(b) if So, what was the exact' dispute and what steps were taken to resolve the issues; and

(c) for how long the strike continued and on what terms it was received; and how far the prices of essential commo-ditiesv increased during the period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS PORT (SHRI JAGD1SH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Truck Operators went on nation-wide strike from ithe mid night of lJth September, 1993 against the decision taken by Transport Deve lopment Council in its meeting held on 18-8-993 regarding increase in Composite Fee on National Permits to Rs. 5000/ . On an assurance given by Government to resolve the issue hy holding a special meeting of Transport Development CounciU Truck Operators called off their strike on 28th September, 1993. The Transport Development Council in its meeting held on 1-10-93 have decided to accept two-tier system of Composite Fee. Now, it has been decided that the Com posite Fee on National Permits would be Rs. 3000/- in all States except those seven States namely Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajas. than and Uttar Pradesh which had abo lished Pathkar with effect from 1-9-93. In these States the Composite Fee would be Rs. 5000/- in general there was no adverse effect on the supply of essential commodities during the strike period. However, some increase in the prices of vegetables wsa reported from some State*.

The House then adjourned at forty-six minutes past eleven of the clock. The House met at two minutes past twelve of the clock, The Deputy Chairman in the Chair.

Whatever the fabrication of false cases, is it

विपक्ष के नेता (श्री सिकन्दर बख्त) : सदर साहिबा, यह माइक्रोफोन नवीनतम है कि चल गया है । यहां तो बड़ी नयी-नयी बातें हो रही हैं । जिस वक्त आप इरशाद फरमा रही थीं (व्यवधान) . . .

†[शेरी सकंदर बख्त : सदर صدر صاحبہ - یہ مائیکروفون نئی ٹیکنالوجی ہے کہ چل گیا ہے - یہاں تو بڑی نئی نئی باتیں ہو رہی ہیں - جس وقت آپ ارشاد فرما رہی تھیں . . . (مداخلت) . . .]

It is not becoming of the.' House

मैं आपसे दरख्वास्त करना चाहता हूं (व्यवधान)

میں آپ سے درخواست کرنا چاہتا ہوں . . (مداخلت) . . .]

becoming of the Government? And what do we do to stop the Government from indulging in such mischievous methods, misuse of Government institutions? That is what I was saying.but my microphone was discontinued .... *(Interruptions)...*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:. Paper? to be laid. S. B. Chavaa (Interrup-

उपसभापति : अच्छा अभी पेपर्स तो ले करने दो (व्यवधान) . .

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त : सदर साहिबा, यह पेपर ले नहीं (व्यवधान) बिल्कुल नहीं (व्यवधान)

†[शेरी سکاندر بخت : صدر صاحبہ یہ پیپر لے نہیں . . (مداخلت) . . بالکل نہیں . . .]

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†[]Transliteration in Arabic Script